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DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[Detailed Description of the Invention]

[0001]

[Field of the Invention]With respect to the control device of an elevator, this invention halves an operator control panel to a functional order, and relates to the operator control panel of the elevator arranged a machinery room and near the hoistway inside and outside of an intermediate floor.

[0002]

[Description of the Prior Art]the former -- a Japanese-Patent-Application-No. 7-161764 item gazette -- written **** -- the operator control panel was arranged together with the drive of an elevator machinery interior of a room like.

[0003]

[Problem(s) to be Solved by the Invention]As for the operator control panel which stores the signal control circuit device constituted from a signal control circuit with the main circuit device and microcomputer which are generally constituted from an inverter etc. which control a motor, etc., constituting on the other hand is common. Since a main circuit device is decided by motor capacity, a kind is limited. On the other hand, since a signal control circuit device is decided by the operation control method or elevator specification of an elevator, it serves as much combination.

[0004]For this reason, since it was designed so that it can respond, even when an operator control panel is put [much specifications] together, size was large and weight had a problem which becomes heavy. After the specification determination of an elevator, in order to manufacture, there was a problem to which the process from an order received to dispatch becomes long.

[0005]Since an operator control panel was in the highest floor of a building, there was a problem to which the cable wiring from a riding basket, the apparatus in a hoistway, and the apparatus of a car stop to an operator control panel becomes long.

[0006] The purpose of this invention is to provide the operator control panel which can be separated and installed in a machinery room and an intermediate floor by solving the problem of said conventional technology and dividing an operator control panel into a functional order.

[0007]

[Means for Solving the Problem]According to this invention, functional partition of said purpose is carried out to the first operator control panel that stored a main circuit control device, and the second operator

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control panel that stored signal control devices other than a main circuit control device, and it is attained by installing a machine room for elevator and near [near the intermediate floor of a building] a hoistway dispersedly.

[0008]namely, a thing for which this invention halves an elevator control panel to a functional order -- small size -- a weight saving can be carried out. An operator control panel which stored a main circuit control device for motor control is installed in a machinery room of the highest floor together with a motor, a loop wheel machine, etc. Or it also becomes possible to install in a machinery room which is on a hoistway project area by miniaturization. By installing near the intermediate floor of a hoistway, the operator control panel which stored a signal control circuit device for operation control can make the length of cable wiring in a hoistway the shortest.

[0009]

[Embodiment of the Invention]An example is described below.

[0010]Drawing 4 shows the top view of a machinery room for the sectional view of the hoistway according [drawing 2 and drawing 3] the system configuration figure of an inverter elevator to one example of this invention in drawing 1 respectively. Drawing 1 explains the system configuration of an inverter elevator. Electric power is supplied to the power supply 3 of an elevator via the fuse free breaker FFB to the converter COV and the pressure-lowering control transformer TR. The power supply changed into a direct current by the three-phase-circuit converter COV is charged by the smoothing condenser 1 via the rush current limiting resistance R1. If a running command occurs in an elevator, the run contactor 10T will energize (since it is not directly related to this invention, a concrete circuit is omitted), the rush current limiting resistance R1 will be short-circuited, and a speed command and instructions of a hand of cut occur via the communication circuit 2 by microcomputer CIR2.

[0011]It rides via the reduction gears S which this signal became a driving command of the inverter INV, the inverter INV generated the output, and the induction motor M rotated, and were directly linked with the induction motor M, and basket C balance weight CW starts. The first operator control panel CP1 consists of main circuit control devices for controlling the induction motor M above.

[0012]Next, the second operator control panel CP2 consists of signal control circuit CIR1 with the microcomputer linked to the secondary of pressure-lowering control transformer TR and the pressure-lowering control transformer TR, and microcomputer CIR2 grade. It connects by the communication wire Sg via the communication circuit 2 using the microcomputer which it has in each between the first operator control panel CP1 and the second operator control panel CP2.

[0013]Next, by <u>drawing 2</u>, the first operator control panel CP1 is arranged to machine-room-for-elevator MCR in the highest floor of a building together with the first operator control panel CP1, the motor M, the reduction gears S, etc. Small size and since it constitutes only from a main circuit control device as above-mentioned, and the weight saving is carried out, like <u>drawing 4</u>, the first operator control panel CP1 can be hooked on the wall surface of machinery room MCR, or it can also be forced and installed. If it is in a machinery room, it can install in arbitrary places, but operator control panel CP1 can also be installed on the project area of the hoistway TO especially by small size and a weight saving.

[0014]Next, the second operator control panel CP2 shows the case where it has arranged near the hoistway entrance of the intermediate floor of a building. The first operator control panel CP1 and the

second operator control panel CP2 are connected by the communication wire Sg. It connects [between the entrance apparatus 1K, 2K, and 3K of each story, and the second operator control panel CP2], respectively in the cables 1C and 2C in a tower of each story, and 3C.

[0015] <u>Drawing 3</u> shows the case where the second operator control panel CP2 has been arranged in the hoistway of an intermediate floor. Others per [same] abbreviate to <u>drawing 2</u>. [0016]

[Effect of the Invention]Since according to this invention it can hook on the wall of a machinery room since it becomes small size and a weight saving by carrying out functional partition of the operator control panel to a main circuit control device and a signal control circuit device, or pushes against a wall surface and can install as explained above, there is an effect which can contribute to space-saving-ization of a machinery room. Machinery room area is obliged to have a hoistway project area more than twice with a statute now. Since an operator control panel can be installed on a hoistway project area if regulation of being more than twice the area of a hoistway project area will be eased by deregulation etc. in the future, and machinery room area can be narrowed, there is an effect which becomes advantageous also from on construction. [0017]Since the operator control panel which stored the signal control circuit device can reduce by half the cable length from a riding basket and a tower inner machine machine to an operator control panel by installing near the hoistway of an intermediate floor, there is an effect which becomes advantageous in cost.

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